

SHAWN O'DONNELL FOR CONGRESS

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General Counsel's Office
Federal Election Commission
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

RE: MUR #5796 Confidential Response for Shawn O'Donnell for Congress
Committee
ID #C00423194

Dear Sirs:

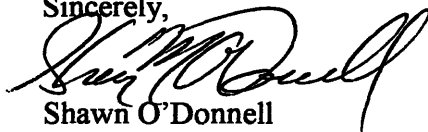
In response to materials I received regarding MUR #5796, let me first respond by stating that I do not believe that the correspondence from the Republican Party Chairman for the First Congressional District, constitutes a formal complaint. The document contains factual errors, a number of questions directed to the FEC, and might best be termed a "fishing expedition"

With regard the letter's section that includes "apparent violations by his campaign that the FEC may be unaware of:" Mr. Moulton accuses our campaign of:

- 1) not documenting expenditures associated with 2 websites – our response is that they were indeed included as advertising expenses and in the case of a \$900.00 expenditure specifically called out as a payment to "Speck Media" the sites are hosted by Yahoo and Go-Daddy at very reasonable rates, and my background in IT and websites allow me to do things for little or no cost that might cost others significantly more money.
- 2) accompanied by a production company as he travels the Commonwealth – our response is that no such company exists, that in many instances I have been accompanied by volunteers with cameras and video equipment, and the campaign is not required to report or record individuals who volunteer their time to the FEC.

It should be noted that our volunteer campaign has been working, apparently not always successfully, to comply with FEC regulations in a complete and timely manner. I do not believe any actions we have taken warrant having this matter use the Commissions resources and should be dismissed.

Sincerely,



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